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LETTERS FROM
THE PEOPLE.

Numerous Communications Conveying Interesting Ideas and Items—The Tide of Reform.

NO LONGER A DEMOCRAT

Says an Old Line Party Man—Killing Letters to the People to Awake One Man Must Keep His Mouth Shut—One Man's Opinion on His Own Thought.

Deal Out the Thunderbolts.
For the Caucasian.

CLEVELAND MILLS, N. C., May 25.—Long may the CAUCASIAN live to deal its thunderbolts into this rotten Democracy.

F. Y. HICKS.

Gaining Strength.
For the Caucasian.

DRITTA, N. C., May 27.—I read the CAUCASIAN regularly and then give it to some one else so that it will reach as many people as possible.

I think the reform movement is gaining strength rapidly in this country, and that the Democrats are worse demoralized than ever.

N. GIBSON.

Enlightening the People.
For the Caucasian.

FANCY HILL, N. C., May 28.—I have read your book and think it contains all the difficulties in the way of any one who is willing and wants to know the truth about the present government. I think it is undoubtedly the best thing I have ever seen on the financial question.

Yes, I will try to get that book scattered all through my section.

I do not want to miss even one copy of the CAUCASIAN. (One of the very best papers of the State and one that is doing more to enlighten the people, that they may be enabled to act in the future that they may bring relief to themselves.) May the CAUCASIAN widen its borders until it reaches from east to west and from pole to pole.

W. B. GIBSON.

Can't do Without It.
For the Caucasian.

LEWISTON, Bertie Co., N. C., May 25.—We find that we cannot possibly do without the CAUCASIAN as it is the only paper that states political facts as they are, and deduces the best argument to sustain its politics.

Yours truly,
F. V. MITCHELL,
J. B. JOYNER.

"Have to Keep My Mouth Shut."
The following is an extract from a letter to the CAUCASIAN, written by an office-holder in Washington:

"I am a clerk here in the office; came in under civil service," but for the sake of my wife and little ones have to keep my mouth shut for the present."

It is Unanswerable.
For the Caucasian.

WYOMING, N. C., May 20.—I have read "Coin's Financial School" and think it unanswerable, and at the same time so plain and simple that who reads can not fail to understand it. It should be in the hands of every voter.

I do not fail to speak a word for the CAUCASIAN when I can, because I think it the ablest champion of the people's rights and interests in the State.

J. F. NEWSON.

Passing It Around.
For the Caucasian.

CARTRIDGE, N. C., May 20.—I received "Coin's School," and think it splendid. I am passing it around to the watering ones. I think the CAUCASIAN one of the best educators.

W. M. KIVETT.

A Tidal Wave of Prosperity.
For the Caucasian.

LENOIR, N. C., May 27.—Your paper is setting the people on fire in the State. They are opening their eyes and working for their interests and not all for the party.

I am going to try to pay for a subscription or more. Your paper is doing more good than any other in the State. You give people the facts and the truth about the condition of the country. Keep doing the good work. We will cap the climax in 1896, and set our country on a footing again, and then a tidal wave of prosperity will sweep over it.

C. T. SUDDERTH.

No More a Democrat.
For the Caucasian.

WACO, N. C., May 18.—I have been a silent reader of the CAUCASIAN for quite a while, though not a subscriber. Its great pages of truth have convinced me of my error in supporting the Democratic party. I have always belonged to the Democratic party, and supported its nominees. But the party's assertion here that I am no longer a Democrat, but a People's Party man, the fraud perpetrated in this (Cleveland) county by that party is sickening. Think about a man holding office against the will of the majority of the people as is done in this county! I say let the majority rule, it matters not who is elected.

Hereafter I shall battle for the great reform movement, and will endeavor to use all my influence in trying to get others to join us. Furthermore I will do all in my power to get the people to read the CAUCASIAN. Send it out among them. It is for quite a while, though not a paper published. It brings the erring Democrat to a halt, causes him to meditate and shows him where he stands.

Yours for reform,
R. A. BEAM.

The Lord Only Can See the End.
For the Caucasian.

LILLINGTON, N. C., May 28.—I have not been able to see the end of the extreme hard times, such as have never been seen in our county. The Lord only can see the end. We must work and depend on His guidance. I will assure you of my aid in the grand cause of the people in the coming conflict. Let us make the battle-line on the financial plank of the Omaha platform for the present.

Z. T. KIVETT.

Help Spread the Light.
For the Caucasian.

OCEAN, N. C., May 20.—I was highly pleased with the "Letters from the People" in your last issue of the CAUCASIAN.

I am glad the light is being shed abroad at last by the people for the benefit of the people.

I wish to say to those who can give information, not to keep your candle under a bushel, but spread your light abroad to the world that others may see your good work and be constrained to help in the good fight which alone will save us from the iron grasp of the great money combinations.

POPULIST.

Monarchs Need a Lesson.
For the Caucasian.

MINEROLA, N. C., May 27.—You will please find enclosed 25 cents in stamps for which you will please send me a copy of "Coin's Financial School." I want the book for the benefit of some of my old neighbors, who are Democrats, and who are in need of it. They are scarce and far between in this section, yet we have some of them whom I think need a lesson in the Financial School. Long live the CAUCASIAN to wield the pen for truth.

"Keep the Ball Moving."
For the Caucasian.

NEW BRUNN, N. C., May 28.—The CAUCASIAN is indeed the paper for the times, for it speaks out in meeting, and is in fact a people's paper. Keep the ball moving until every citizen in the Old North State shall be allowed to vote just once, and his vote counted for the man, or men of his choice.

E. R. DUDLEY.

Suffering From "Lack of Confidence."
For the Caucasian.

JAMESTOWN, N. C., May 27.—I am reading all sides of the money question and I like yours best, for it is what I have been taught by the Democratic party ever since I was a boy. But now they talk one thing and do another.

Look out for a big straddle in 1896, and see the Southern Democracy fall down and worship the administration. I am suffering from a "Lack of Confidence" in the man myself. But I do have confidence that it will all come right some time.

H. C. BRIGGS.

Shockism Must be Superseded by Christian Patriotism.
For the Caucasian.

LA GRANGE, N. C., May 28.—Have just read "Coin's Financial School" and passed it around among my friends. How dare any man, who has a spark of patriotism left, say, after reading this book, that the gold standard is a blessing to this country. Most of the people in the South have lived up to the facts it contains, and it will take something else to get the people to believe in the administration to explain it away. The great common people have begun to read and think, and it will be an easy matter for them to decide in the coming elections whether the free coinage of silver or the gold standard is an enemy to the prosperity of this now gloomy country.

Greed for office and money has nearly put out the fires of patriotism kindled by our honored forefathers. Traitors move on all sides are howling forth a concoction of selfishness and greed that knows no bounds, and it will be so until shockism is superseded by Christian patriotism; and God speed the day.

R. B. KINSEY.

Must Keep Them Down.
For the Caucasian.

TERREHART, N. C., May 28.—I received "Coin's Financial School," have read it and have studied it well and can recommend it to every one who has any desire to inform himself on our present condition financially. It ought to be placed in every man's hands to read, as well as read and explained to every man in the State who cannot read. I can assure you I shall not only read it to my people, but talk it to them.

The CAUCASIAN must be put in every hand possible. We must put it down till they are learned that the whole world does not belong to them, and that the masses of the people have rights as well as they, and that they must be respected.

W. H. SMITH.

"Lay on McDuff."
For the Caucasian.

LAKESIDE, N. C., May 28.—Populism is a foot thick on me, though I have not had the pleasure of voting that ticket. We have a great many Populists but no organization, and unfortunately we have "Reform Democrats" who hope to get Populism demands through the Democratic party. They may just as reasonably look for Christians in perdition; or sends in glory. You are touching up the mossback just right. I say "Lay on McDuff!"

L. L. CALDWELL.

"We Must Awake!"
For the Caucasian.

WINSTON, N. C., May 22.—The paper gets better all the time and I wish it could be read by every voter in the State. Do not be afraid to "lay on and spare not." There must be a radical change, and soon, or we are gone. All the people (out of office) need to be instructed and are giving them plain lessons. The only trouble is to get the paper to them. They are in sore distress. Cleveland's object lessons have got them prepared to listen. They will do it and act in a way very different from what we expected. We are not seers yet, but we must awake.

Respectfully,
S. J. MONTAGUE.

Decreasing Very Fast.
For the Caucasian.

WOODLAND, N. C., May 24.—I received "Coin's School" sent me. I have read it and was pleased with it. I have gotten so used to the old election say they think it is good. We are nearly all Populists anyway. We only had forty Democrats last fall out of 300 voters, and they are decreasing very fast.

W. F. G.

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WHERE SILVER IS KING.
Gathering of Western White Metalists at Salt Lake.

Salt Lake, Utah, May 15.—Representatives of eight States and two Territories chosen either by their respective Governors or the commercial bodies of the main cities, met in a silver convention in this city today. The town was a holiday appearance, and thousands of spectators lined the streets as the parade, made up of brass bands and delegates in carriages, went on its way to the great Mormon Tabernacle, which had been gayly decorated for the occasion. The delegates numbered about one hundred, and representatives were present from California, Oregon, Washington, Nevada, Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico and Utah.

GOV. RICHARDS ON THE SILVER ISSUE.

The main address of the day was the speech of Gov. Richards in opening, and an exhaustive paper on the "Silver question and the evils of monometallism," read by Wharton Baker, the Philadelphia editor, at the evening session, before an audience of 7,000. Gov. Richards said, in part:

"We do not meet as Republicans, as Democrats, or as Populists, but as American citizens zealous for the right as God gives us to see the right, and earnest in the advocacy of sound financial principles. The masses of the people in the East as well as in the West, have grown distrustful of the financial policy of a class of reasoners whose policy has invited the most far-reaching disasters that have ever befallen the business interests of our country or paralyzed the energies of our people. Every prophecy made by the gold men has been disproved by the progress of events and every prediction made by the silver men has been verified in the colossal misfortunes that have visited our land. The logic of the situation demands a reversal of the public judgment and it will come. The argument of the single standard advocate has matured from a gilded theory into a candid confession of the need of an irresistible force to the candid observer of events. Existing conditions, reflecting the misfortunes of the business world upon every phase of our industrial and social life, have stimulated a demand on the part of the masses for a better knowledge of financial propositions that self-interest may be respected at the polls.

SYSTEMATIC COURSE OF EDUCATION.

"In no way can the interests of silver be better served, in the receptive condition of the public mind, than through a systematic course of education that will reach the individual intelligence in the sacred circle of home. The eminent gentleman who represented the several States in this conference have been delegated with the responsibility of devising ways and means for the carrying out of this object, and that your labors will prove an aggressive step in a most successful campaign of the cause I doubt not. Already the European wing of the American Republic is beating the air in an effort to retain its lofty perch. The gold men of both continents read in the signs of the times the possibility of an early and complete defeat, and are bending all their energies to the annihilation of the object of their fears."

The Men Who Want "Honest Money."

We all remember what an active interest the national bankers manifest in the extra session of congress convened last year by President Cleveland to consider and legislate upon the finances. We Georgians will not forget how the bank officials flooded the State with arguments in favor of the "honest money" arguments in favor of the repeal of the purchasing clause of the Sherman act, and then hurry home.

There are about 4,000 national banks in the United States, whose officials want to handle "honest money." There are 340 bankers and bank officials in the prisons of New York for stealing "honest money."

We do not know how many of these disciples of "honest money" are in the other prisons of the country, but if there are fewer in Congress and more in prisons the American people would settle the money question.

The stealage last year by this favored class of citizens amounted to over \$25,000,000—"honest money" belonging to depositors, etc.

Warden Hayes, of the King's county New York prison, says there are in the various prisons in that State 340 bank presidents, cashiers and bank officials. The bankers are the "class" who wish to control the financial system of America. They are of the class which invite President Cleveland to banquet and through whom he issues his political manifestos. They are of the class which entertained Speaker Crisp and the secretary of the treasury. They are of the class which have called the Memphis convention and before whom Secretary Carlisle appeared and spoke of "honest money." They are of the class which cry out for "honest money," "honest methods" and "honest government." It is about time now for the bankers to take a back seat in politics and cultivate an acquaintance with the 8th commandment.

People's Party Paper.

A Populist can look the world in the face with pride and say, "I'm a Populist." But a Republican or Democrat always has to stop and explain which section of his party he trains with.—Kentucky Populist.

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VERY STRONG AND UNIQUE.

A Letter From Senator Butler to a Gentleman in this State—Jefferson in Favor of the Government Ownership of Railroads.

HE DEFINES A MONOPOLY

For and Shows Why They Should be Owned and Operated by the Government—The Politicians Will Change Front on the Financial Question—The Money Question—First—The Railroad Question Next.

A gentleman who wishes his name withheld, has shown us a letter from Senator Butler in which he answers his objections to the government ownership of railroads. It is a very strong, convincing and unique argument. We publish the letter in full:

ELLIOTT, N. C., May 16, 1895.

MR. _____, N. C.:

DEAR SIR: Yours of May 7th, addressed to me at Raleigh, has just been forwarded to me here, where I am recuperating in the country.

Several very strong books have been published on the government ownership of railroads. I have several of them in my office in Raleigh, and if I were there I would send you a copy which would fully answer all your questions and meet all of your objections to that plank in the People's Party platform. Allow me to call your attention to the historical fact that Thomas Jefferson and the other leading patriots, who formed our Constitution, were uncompromisingly opposed to all kinds of monopolies. They considered monopolies the greatest menace to liberty and the deadliest foe to free institutions. They took the position that the government should own and run the railroads, and that the people, under circumstances where there could be no successful competition by men of small capital, were a government function and should be owned and run for the benefit of the people, at cost, for the benefit of all the people alike. In short, they were opposed to all monopolies and they were unalterably opposed to allowing private individuals or corporations to have a monopoly of any business that was a monopoly per se. They foresaw that private corporations would run such a business, not for the benefit of the people, but would take advantage of the people to bleed the people for the benefit of the few. The postal system of this country is a monopoly per se. Therefore, on this reasoning, they decided that the postal system should be owned and operated by the government instead of by private corporations. If there had been railroads or a telegraph at that time our forefathers would have had them run by the government just as the mails are, and for the same reason. The railroads had charge of the postal system, and would cost not less than 10 cents and probably more to send a letter when it can now be sent for two cents under government management. Besides, the people could not get a postoffice and mail line where they needed it until they convinced the mail monopoly that such an office and such a postal line would pay big money into the treasury. Therefore, they decided that the people should vote by townships and counties to tax themselves to raise thousands of dollars to give to the mail monopoly, as the people often have to do now. If they had not been for the wisdom and patriotism of our forefathers, we would today be cursed by a tremendous mail monopoly, which would be daily absorbing the substance of the people on one hand and building up another class of haughty and oppressive millionaires on the other hand. But this is not the worst side of such a pernicious system of private monopoly. It would be styled postal kings. There are about 4,000 national banks in the United States, whose officials want to handle "honest money." There are 340 bankers and bank officials in the prisons of New York for stealing "honest money."

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people may enjoy the same benefit as the government-owned and operated all these other businesses which are also monopolies per se, as it does the mail system, and we had an honest financial system there would be more wealth in this country, and yet there would not be a half dozen millionaires in our borders. Of course we would have some poor people as we have now, and some would be richer than others; but there would not be a single man or woman in America who is able to work and willing to work who could not make a living. We might say that there would not be a single trust in America. Trusts are only possible where the above evils exist. In short, a trust is only the product and result of allowing private corporations to have a complete monopoly of our money and transportation.

I agree with you that the financial question is now paramount and should be made the one overshadowing issue in the next campaign. I entirely disagree with you that we should altogether drop the railroad plank from our platform. The correct solution of the railroad question is almost of equal importance to our people as the correct solution of the financial question. The great panic which we have passed through and from which we are still suffering, and the great scarcity of money have forced the financial question to the front and awakened thousands of people to the importance of the matter. Before had never read our platform and did not know that there was anything to do with our financial system. Thus the opportunity is ripe for concentrating under one banner, enough of the people to overthrow the money changers who, for thirty years, have been infesting and corrupting the temple of our liberties.

When this victory is won, then I shall favor making a war to the finish on the greedy, grasping, private monopolies, which to-day are using and abusing the great functions of government that should be owned by the people and used for the people. I have never thought of the large influence which is at his command, and make his clients fully understand the issue at stake." He wants the bankers to put on the pressure.

Every farmer who has a loan, every business man who is accommodated, the professional man and the manufacturer, all who borrow money must vote for the interests of the banker. This is a fair sample of the gospel of patriotism and liberty preached by the President of the Bankers Association to the Western bankers. Is there any excuse for anarchy when such things are urged? Is it any wonder that the line of distinction between the rich and the poor is clearly defined? The people coerced to save and protect the interests of a very small class of men! Is it any wonder that some of the wisest men are able to predict a revolution in a case that will make a gleam on the men who try anything in the way of the people's cause is not their friend but their enemy. It is time that the people drop all party names and engage in a struggle to save the country for this government of the people, for the people, and by the people.—Exchange.

THE POINT OF VIEW.

Opinions That Occur From Condition Which Exist.

Jefferson said, "a nation may legislate itself into adversity," and yet not be able to get out of it. Every nation has had nothing to do with the present condition of the American people. It is vicious class legislation that put us where we are, and nothing short of ballots or bullets will get us out. Which of the two methods do you prefer, friends? The method, of course. Then get a move on you in the work of agitation, education and organization.—National Reformer.

"It must be noted that the North Carolina method of the goldbugs differs radically from that in other States. Elsewhere the press is free to denounce the gold standard, and the word 'Welcome' is painted over each. Come in and welcome, gentlemen, and no question shall be asked as to which door you entered.—Equity.

John D. Rockefeller says the height of his ambition is to become the possessor of \$500,000,000. It will not take many years to reach that figure, with the enormous power he now possesses; and the unprincipled methods by which he is operating will enable him to land thousands of his fellowmen in poverty and his own soul in Satan's choicest pit. It is not probable that this adroit money shark has earned an honest dollar in thirty years.—Texas Farm and Ranch.

Of all the unaccountable forms of political meanness, the custom of legislators having appointments to members of their families to subordinate offices, deserves to rank among the first. And it is as about as common as office-holders, that is to say, nearly every office-holder is guilty of it. Nothing is so much to be avoided as partiality in the performance of public duty; and, although every one knows that appointment of one's kin is first class evidence of partiality, it does not take an office-holder long to become indifferent to the public will not trouble to investigate much public money he has turned towards his family.—Bibliographical Recorder.

A BANKER'S WARNING!

If the People Lose This Fight They May Lose for All Time.

In secured peace the gold men of this country have been harvesting for years the fruit of their victory and nothing has disturbed them. But there is trouble ahead and the nutcracker has aroused the plotters of this nation. The people at last are awakening to the danger that confronts them. The great popular movement in favor of the re-monetization of silver has stirred this country as it has never been stirred before. When the people once get to thinking the danger is not so great and there is no hope for reform. The handful of men who have for years controlled the financial interests of this country, shaped its politics, made its laws, now hear their authority questioned; their rights disputed, and see their power scattered to the winds. It is not often that the utterances of an eastern bond holder finds its way direct to the people, but recently there was an exception to this rule. At a supper given by the bankers' association at Chicago last Saturday, W. C. Cornwall, President of the New York Bankers Association made the principal address. Now the report of this speech was not found in a Populist sheet, but was printed in the St. Paul Call, the extreme of all extreme cold standard papers of the West.

Mr. Cornwall looks upon the present movement as the last ditch of the American people will ever make. If they fail, the sun of their liberty is set never to rise again. The gentleman is frank in picturing the last desperate stand the American people are making. He says: "At the time we are confronted once more in organized masses by the silver heresy, I cannot but feel that this is the last desperate onslaught, and that these wild delusions are making their last fierce fight before it is too late. Let the people read and think over these words. They mean just what they say."

Mr. Cornwall thinks that the Western bankers have been and are now indifferent and he spurs them on. "It is the banker's duty to use the large influence which is at his command, and make his clients fully understand the issue at stake." He wants the bankers to put on the pressure.

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TO DRAW US OFF

From these issues, you want to know how we stand on national issues in the election of President and Congressmen—what our "leading dailies" are leading to. Now I'll tell you. We're leading to victory. Don't you know we're not going to meddle with anything but our own affairs? We are not prepared for national questions as yet. Now you want us to commit ourselves on national questions—what we are for and what against? Too sharp for that! We have been several times, and we had to crawl and insult Truth till she blushed and took wings and flew away. New we woo the goddess peace, for since she left our door great discord and calamities have befallen our party—the great and true.

You wish to know why the goldbug Smith, is named by a silver paper for President—why "Adeline," against the administration, is named by a goldbug paper for President? Why this mixing up! That is plain enough. Mr. CAUCASIAN, for we do not know into whose hands we may fall yet. While we pray to the Lord with all our might we must not forget to pass a few laws.

TOWARD THE DEVIL.

Judge Crisp talks all around silver and has not said "Adeline" yet. Silence will not commit us. Talk for both will not commit us. Too sharp for you, Mr. CAUCASIAN. Too sharp!

We wish you to understand when we take an issue, we take it for the sole purpose of winning the victory. We would be as foolish as you have been to take an issue for any other reason. We do not set ourselves up to teach and lead men, but to follow. Whichever way the vote lay, thither we go. We are for the votes. If free coinage gets the votes, we are for free coinage. If the gold standard gets the votes,

WE ARE FOR THAT.

One paper one way and another, another one thing in one place and another one thing in another. All for party harmony!

You will say this is not fair dealing; but you have not yet learned your A. B. C's in political philosophy. When men become rulers of the people they naturally study how to rule them. There are two ways to rule the people: one is by force appealing to their fears; another is by deception appealing to their self-interest. Force is laid aside by the nature of our laws and leaves us with the only alternative, deception. When one comes up thinking one way, tell him he is right. Another comes up thinking another way, tell him he is right. Another comes up with no "think" at all, tell him he is right. That is the way that walks the woods. But where one comes up and says he is going to vote Populist, call him bad names, yell bad names, and if Republican, call him a "nigger."

You will say we ought to use argument. Argument is the bottom and top of deception. That is what it is for. Argument! When we let loose our standing army of 200,000 OFFICIAL SOLDIERS and 300,000 hopefuls, you will hear arguments. To this add 30,000 party papers and 10,000,000 of campaign documents and to give all this a send off with patriotic zeal add 8,000,000 in gold and a promise of an office. Don't you know we will sweep the field with argument? We know our strength and we know your weakness.

You have confidence in truth and in the intelligence of the people to vote their own interests—to know their rights and to vote for them. We have the people educated in a different way. We educate the people

SO WE CAN USE THEM.

If we can use them, we can rule them. They know not how the bribe is

HARRY HINTON'S HURTLING HITS

The Fantastic Lure of "Immortality" Democracy Sarcasically Sifted, And Given to the Winds.

WHAT'S AN ISSUE ANYWAY

When the Democratic Party Makes It—How the Old Party Papers "Educate" the People—Some Specimens of "Democratic Truth"—"Niggers" the Big Issue.

Every one in awhile Harry Hinton dips his pen in true blue ink in behalf of oppressed humanity. He has been noting for some time the struggles of the good Democrats under the burdens and loads unceremoniously heaped upon them by the co-operation of the anarchists and the radicals, and as he looked into their dove-like, innocent eyes he almost saw the haze of dismay or the fire of desperation. But Harry Hinton tells them, as they lay prone on the lake of despair—dark, gloomy and sulphurous and smelling of Wall street to arise, shake off their guilty fears. "Though the day be lost, all is not lost,"—hate eternal, burning, blustering, blustering, blustering.

We will tell the CAUCASIAN and all other journals belonging to our oppressors that they cannot dictate to us what our issues shall be.

OUR BIG ISSUE IS THE "NIGGER."

Our second issue is, freedom—freedom from such a disgraceful set as the rulers in this State. Our third issue is, that we are much more competent and reliable to fill the offices of this State than this "mongrel crew." Upon these issues we draw the line of combat. Now, Mr. CAUCASIAN, tell us what you think of this line of combat. Here is the field of combat. On these lines the battle must be fought and won.

You have been trying to side-track us for some little time. Your have been trying

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TOWARD THE DEVIL.

Judge Crisp talks all around silver and has not said "Adeline" yet. Silence will not commit us. Talk for both will not commit us. Too sharp for you, Mr. CAUCASIAN. Too sharp!

We wish you to understand when we take an issue, we take it for the sole purpose of winning the victory. We would be as foolish as you have been to take an issue for any other reason. We do not set ourselves up to teach and lead men, but to follow. Whichever way the vote lay, thither we go. We are for the votes. If free coinage gets the votes, we are for free coinage. If the gold standard gets the votes,

WE ARE FOR THAT.

One paper one way and another, another one thing in one place and another one thing in another. All for party harmony!

You will say this is not fair dealing; but you have not yet learned your A. B. C's in political philosophy. When men become rulers of the people they naturally study how to rule them. There are two ways to rule the people: one is by force appealing to their fears; another is by deception appealing to their self-interest. Force is laid aside by the nature of our laws and leaves us with the only alternative, deception. When one comes up thinking one way, tell him he is right. Another comes up thinking another way, tell him he is right. Another comes up with no "think" at all, tell him he is right. That is the way that walks the woods. But where one comes up and says he is going to vote Populist, call him bad names, yell bad names, and if Republican, call him a "nigger."

You will say we ought to use argument. Argument is the bottom and top of deception. That is what it is for. Argument! When we let loose our standing army of 200,000 OFFICIAL SOLDIERS and 300,000 hopefuls, you will hear arguments. To this add 30,000 party papers and 10,000,000 of campaign documents and to give all this a send off with patriotic zeal add 8,000,000 in gold and a promise of an office. Don't you know we will sweep the field with argument? We know our strength and we know your weakness.

You have confidence in truth and in the intelligence of the people to vote their own interests—to know their rights and to vote for them. We have the people educated in a different way. We educate the people

SO WE CAN USE THEM.

If we can use them, we can rule them. They know not how the bribe is

latched. They love to yield to the hand which guides them as a dole to the reins of the driver. No air, your cat won't jump. You have started your idea too soon. The world is not far enough advanced for it. It is premature. You "wasn't too soon." We must take things as they are; not as they should be. This is the keynote of conservatism; if you had our hopefuls 300,000 strong; if you had our papers and millions of your way to victory would be bright. Ah! You are weak and we are strong. We will dominate you; we will subjugate you; we will scandalize you until no decent business man will read or hear a thing you say. We are on top and don't you forget it. We have the men and we have the money; we have the papers and the influence; we have the votes; we have a thoroughly drilled infantry. Now come on with your truth—the rights and wrongs of the people, with your constitutional money—with your conscience, we care not what; and we will down you.

You made one mistake in advising your correspondents to say "democratic truth" in writing about our little slips. We will quote that on you the campaign—that you become a democrat and advised your correspondents not to say "Democratic lies anymore. You frankly admitted they told the truth. Those thirty-nine papers who said that fusion would not fuse told a

DEMOCRATIC TRUTH.

Those 41,000 henchmen who said the same told a "Democratic truth." Those 3,000,000 who said Grover was a friend to silver told a "Democratic truth." "Democratic truth" is so thick and promiscuous all through the campaign of the royal band, that it hides all else from view. This is as bad as the idle wind. We have our issues.

Firstly—"The nigger."

Secondly—"That Legislature."

Thirdly—"Stand up all, and stand together."

Fourthly—"Freedom from trash."

Fifthly—"We will do you good."

Sixthly—"The party is immortal."

On these issues we throw down the gauntlet. Later on when we hear the trumpet blow and

GROVER SHOWS HIS HAND

and it is accepted by the national party convention, we will perhaps add another issue—perhaps "King Grover and gold," or "Adeline" with the black veil, or "The man and a 'jinnal' of the war," or "A friend to silver" and a Southern annex.

What's an issue, anyway? Let every man who blows his horn trumpet his own issues. Let him be the best judge of that which will suit his audience? Shall we cramp him and tie him down? No, sir, no! Let every campaigner have full room to deliver himself. It matters not about the issues so we win the victory.

HARRY HINTON.

P. S. One thing I forgot to mention. Our party is composed of the wealthiest and the most respectable material. We've got no "niggers" in our party—no white trash.

H. H.

MOTHER AND DAUGHTER STARVING.

The Elder Woman the Widow of C. H. Thompson.

New York World.

In a bare room, stripped of furniture, with cold and with nothing but death or pauperism before her, sits Mrs. Charles Homer Thompson, the widow of the man who worked with the Rockefeller when they were laying the foundation of their fortune. She is the widow of the man who worked with the Rockefeller when they were laying the foundation of their fortune. She is the widow of the man who worked with the Rockefeller when they were laying the foundation of their fortune.

When Mr. Thompson died a ruined and broken man his wife and daughter lived as best they could with fancy sewing. Five years ago the daughter met William H. Cummings, a mechanic who, somehow, never able to get continuous employment.

The last blow in all their series of reverses came on Monday, when a tramp without whom they had hired furniture, swept it away because the payments had fallen off. Then the landlord of the house threatened to dispossess them for non payment of rent. Cummings rushed wildly out on Monday night, and day and night probably ended his troubles by suicide.

Unless some of those who fortunes Mr. Thompson helped to build will come to the rescue, there is no possibility of relief for these two stricken women.

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Shamokin, Pa., Dispatch.

A crowd of men this morning went into a saloon with Joseph Swartz to see him drink a quart of whiskey for a wager, and they emerged in a little while bearing his corpse. It was a tradition that Swartz could drink two quarts of the reddest liquor at one time, and when the question arose as to whether he could swallow the quart Joe shrugged his shoulders contemptuously. Without ceremony he ordered the fiery liquid. Down his throat coursed the stuff, and his eyes sparkled. Finally the last drop was down, and Joe cast a triumphant glance at his companions. Then he sang a song and danced a jig. His brain had been turned, and he said his nerves tingled as though a thousand needles were pricking him. Faster went his feet, until he suddenly threw his arms in the air and turned deathly pale. He groaned, dropped to the floor and the merry shouts of his comrades died into exclamations of alarm. They rushed to his side, and he seemed in awful agony, but unable to speak. He became senseless in a few minutes and then died.

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